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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.97

Sir:

Applicant submits this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3). Enclosed herewith is a List of References Cited by Applicant (PTO-1449) (four sheets), as well as a copy of each reference listed thereon that is not a U.S. Patent or published application.

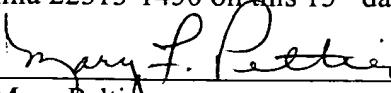
For those references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 that are in English, no further commentary by Applicant is believed necessary, 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3). For those references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 that are in a language other than English, Applicant submit the following statement of relevance:

DE 195 01 475 A1: The publication appears to disclose a fuel pump driven via a slip-coupling (friction, hydro, magnetic or eddy-current coupling) with a controllable torque transmission ratio.

DE 197 01 993 A1: The publication appears to disclose an automotive coolant pump with an impeller driven by a hysteresis coupling or permanent magnet coupling.

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DE 298 22 717 U1: The publication appears to disclose an automotive coolant pump with an impeller driven by a permanent magnet coupling.

EP 0 784 151 A1: The publication appears to disclose a water pump for an internal combustion engine with an impeller which is coupled to a belt drive via an electromagnetic clutch.

JP 11-62583: The publication appears to disclose an automotive coolant pump with an impeller which is connected to the engine cam shaft through a magnetic coupling.

JP 8-61285: The publication appears to disclose a pump with an impeller which is connected to a drive shaft via a magnetic coupling.

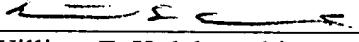
JP 9-49496: The publication appears to disclose a pump with an impeller which is connected to a drive shaft via a magnetic coupling.

JP 9-88868: The publication appears to disclose a pump with an impeller which is connected to a drive shaft via a magnetic coupling.

Applicant respectfully solicits the Examiner's consideration of the cited references and entry thereof into the record of this application.

Applicant, by submitting this Information Disclosure Statement, is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Information Disclosure Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, is otherwise "material to patentability," as that term is defined in that section.

Respectfully submitted,

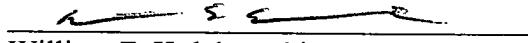

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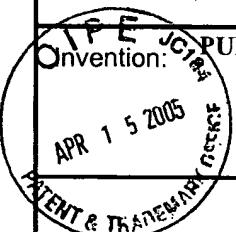
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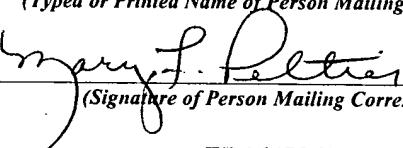
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